



# COMMUNITY R-VI SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Tom Wheeler, Chairman  
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FCC Mail Room

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

We, the undersigned, urge you to continue Priority One E-rate funding support for our district and school websites (i.e., Web hosting).

We ask you to consider the following:

- School websites help support digital learning goals and make it easy for schools to quickly and effectively communicate with parents, students, and community members regarding key initiatives, academic progress, and emergencies.
- School websites cost only pennies per student per day, making them among the most cost-effective, yet highly adopted, communication services available.
- The elimination of E-rate funding support for Web hosting would cause serious hardship for many school districts that would be forced to cut already tight budgets. These cuts could result in staffing reductions and/or the scaling back of key web and digital learning initiatives.

We further believe it would be counterproductive to reduce or eliminate funding for school district website initiatives because doing so could inadvertently undermine important national goals related to digital learning and broadband adoption.

As one of the most important and cost-effective ways of communicating with parents, taxpayers, students, business leaders and other community members; we urge you to maintain funding support for Web hosting as an essential part of any E-rate modernization strategy.

Sincerely,

*Cheryl Mack*

Cheryl Mack, Superintendent, Community R-VI School District, Laddonia, Missouri

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